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CERVICAL CANCER

Cervical cancer is the 10th most common cancer among women. Infections of the uterine cervix increase the risk of cervical cancer. Routine gynecologic screening is the most important way to improve early detection. If cervical cancer is detected early, mortality can be reduced with appropriate treatment and follow-up. NCHS has published data on the death rate from cervical cancer.

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PARTICIPATION BY BLACKS IN MEDICAL RESEARCH

There is a marked underrepresentation of blacks in medical research studies. Blacks who are aware of the 1932 U.S. government-sponsored study of syphilis in black men remain wary of participating in research today. In this study, black men who had syphilis were told that they

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SINGLE DRUG EXPOSURE CAN LEAD TO ADDICTION

Researchers have found that a single use of cocaine can modify neural connections in the brain, and thus may explain how occasional drug use can progress into addiction. A single use of cocaine causes an increase in excitatory synaptic transmission in the ventral tegmental area of the brain in rats and mice. This increase in synaptic currents was long-lasting (five to ten days) and had many similarities to the changes in neural activity involved in the learning and memory processes of the brain. NIDA is funding research on the addictive effects of cocaine and other drugs.

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TREATMENT OF BIPOLAR DISORDER

Bipolar disorder, also known as manic-depression, is a mental disorder in which an individual's mood swings from the depths of depression to the highs of mania. Although this disorder can become quite disabling, it is usually treatable. Lithium has been found to be an effective drug therapy. Psychotherapy, used in conjunction with drug therapy, is also beneficial. NIMH is currently funding research on psychotherapy for bipolar depression.

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Population	Taxes
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Geography	Education
Government	Health
Federal impacts	Crime and law enforcement
Transportation	Welfare

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Anorexia nervosa	Movement therapy
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